

Monday, February 11, 2013  
Government Administration and Elections Committee

Submitted by Peter Gostin, Registrar of Voters, City of New Britain

**Support S.B. 668 An Act Concerning The Training of Poll Workers**

I am testifying in support of SB 668 and amending Chapter 149 of the general statutes. By amending the requirement of training poll workers before every primary, referendum, or general election as is currently done to once in a calendar year, particularly when many of the events are within a few weeks or months of each other, would help save Registrars time, eliminate redundancy, and reduce costs for their towns or cities.

If any members of this committee have reservations with no more than one training session for a poll worker in a calendar year, then perhaps no more than once within a six month interval could be more suitable. For many municipalities this would in large part accomplish the same goal.